

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1023

By Ramsey

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Captain Marianna Smith for her fifty-five years of dedicated service as a member of the Friendsville Volunteer Fire Department.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of public service; and

WHEREAS, one such estimable person is Captain Marianna Smith, who has served with distinction for fifty-five years as a member of the Friendsville Volunteer Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, established in 1962, the Friendsville Volunteer Fire Department consists of twenty men and women who devote countless hours each year to the volunteer fire service, responding to 350 calls annually; and

WHEREAS, members of the department are sent to investigate any reports of fire in the area, including brush fires, structure fires, vehicle fires, and forest fires; additionally, they provide medical assistance, respond to vehicle accidents, and assist law enforcement officers with searches and recoveries; and

WHEREAS, Captain Smith has served in a number of capacities during her tenure with the Friendsville Volunteer Fire Department while continuing to work a normal job and live a normal life; and

WHEREAS, Captain Marianna Smith has selflessly dedicated countless hours to the citizens of Friendsville to ensure their safety; and

WHEREAS, throughout her estimable career, Captain Smith has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of her colleagues and the citizens of her community; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that, on behalf of a grateful public, we honor and commend Captain Marianna Smith for her fifty-five years of dedicated service to her community as a member of the Friendsville Volunteer Fire Department and extend our best wishes for every future success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.